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As a below named inventor(s), I (we) hereby declare that:

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VARIABLE FLEXURE-BASED FLUID FILTER

the specification of which (check one)	
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is attached hereto \underline{X} was filed on $\underline{08/25/03}$ as	Officed States Application
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